#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

# Research and Special Programs Administration

[Docket: RSPA-98-4957; Notice 7]

# Notice of Extension of Existing Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Research and Special Programs Administration's (RSPA) is publishing this notice seeking public comments on a proposed renewal of an information collection for oil spill response plans prepared by onshore oil pipeline operators. This notice provides the public with 60 days for comment

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before October 25, 1999 to be assured of consideration. U.S. Department of Transportation, Dockets Facility, Plaza 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590-001 or email to dms.dot.gov. Please put docket number on all comments.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Response Plans for Onshore Oil Pipelines.

OMB Number: 2 137-0589.

Type *of* Request: Renewal of an existing information collection.

Abstract: The Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA 90) requires that certain pipelines that transport oil must develop a response to minimize the impact of an oil discharge in the case of an accident. These response plans enhance the spill response capability of pipeline operators.

Estimate of Burden: The average burden hours per response is approximately 47 hours.

Respondents: Oil pipeline operators. Es tima ted Number of Respondents: 1,400.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 65,467 hours.

Frequency: Every three years.

Use: To enhance response capab

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Copies of this notice and supporting documents on this information collection renewal can be reviewed at the Dockets Facility, Plaza 401, U.S.

Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh St., SW, Washington, DC 20590, Monday through Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Excluding Federal holidays. This information can also be reviewed electronically over the Internet at dms.dot.gov.

Comments are invited on: (a) the need for the proposed collection of information for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques.

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